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SUBJECT: OAU MINISTERIAL V-- JUNE 28

SUMMARY: POLITICAL COMMITTEE CONCENTRATED ON QUESTIONS OF SOUTHERN AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS AND SANCTIONS AGAINST RHODESIA AND SOUTH AFRICA (SEPTELS), WHILE ECONOMIC COMMITTEE COMPLETED ITS AGENDA. END SUMMARY.

1. POLITICAL COMMITTEE JUNE 28 COMPLETED DISCUSSION OF LIBERATION COMMITTEES REPORT AS WELL AS DEBATE ON DECOLONIZATION OF RHODESIA AND SOUTH AFRICA. COMMITTEE'S POSITION ON SWAPO AND CANARIES LIBERATION FRONT BEING REPORTED SEPTELS.

2. ON ZIMBABWE, COMMITTEE COMPLIMENTED GHANA FOR EFFORTS TO ATTEMPT RECONCILE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS, AND URGED OTHER MEMBER STATES TO DO LIKEWISE. COMMITTEE ISSUED WARNING TO BLACK TROOPS SERVING IN RHODESIAN ARMY, NOTING THAT CONTINUED FIGHTING ON BEHALF OF SMITH REGIME COULD JEOPARDIZE THEIR FUTURE AFTER INDEPENDENCE. COMMITTEE EXPRESSED SOLIDARITY WITH FRONT LINE STATES AND REJECTED RHODESIAN CLAIM OF RIGHT OF HOT PURSUIT, SINCE SUCH RIGHT COULD

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ONLY BE ACCORDED TO LEGITIMATE STATES.

3. CHARIMAN HARRIMAN OF UN APARTHEID COMMITTEE ADDRESSED POLITICAL COMMITTEE MORNING OF JUNE 28 AND RESOLUTION SUBSEQUENTLY SENT TO DRAFTING COMMITTEE URGING FULL PARTICIPATION IN UPCOMING ANTI-APARTHEID MEETING.

4. POLITICAL COMMITTEE ALSO SENT RESOLUTIONS TO DRAFTING COMMITTEE TO :

A. ESTABLISH MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE TO VISIT OIL PRODUCING COUNTRIES TO ASSURE NO OIL BEING SHIPPED TO RHODESIA AND SOUTH AFRICA AND (B) ENJOIN MEMBER STATES FROM RECOGNIZING TRANSKEI OR OTHER FUTURE BANTUSTANS. COMMITTEE'S ACTIONS ON SECGEN'S REPORTS ON SANCTIONS AGAINST RHODESIA AND SOUTH AFRICA BEING REPORTED SEPTTEL.

5. PLENARY PASSED QUESTION OF PROPOSED ZAIRE HEADQUARTERS FOR PAN AFRICAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS UNION TO SUMMIT AND RECOMMENDED THAT DRAFT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONVENTION SHOULD BE SENT TO MEMBER STATES FOR FURTHER STUDY. PLENARY DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED GABONESE HEADQUARTERS FOR HABITAT FUND AND OF PROPOSED REFORM OF OAU STRUCTURES CONTINUING.

6. ECONOMIC COMMITTEE COMPLETED WORK ON ALL AGENDA ITEMS AND PASSED ITS RECOMMENDATIONS TO DRAFTING COMMITTEE.

7. AD HOC COMMITTEE ON MOZAMBIQUE MET AND WAS REPORTEDLY ADDRESSED BY FOREIGN MINISTERS OF MOZAMBIQUE, BOTSWANA AND ZAMBIA.

8. ALGERIAN REPRESENTATIVE MADE APPEAL TO GOVERNMENT OF GABON ON ANTI ALGERIAN ARTICLES IN GABONESE PRESS.  
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GABONESE REPRESENTATIVE NOTED ALGERIAN COMPLAINT, BUT STATED GABON HAD FREE PRESS. ALGERIAN REPRESENTATIVE RETORTED IT OAU TRADITION THAT HOST COUNTRY PRESS SHOULD AVOID ATTACKS ON MEMBER STATES DURING PERIOD OF CONFERENCE.

COMMENT: GABONESE GOVERNMENT HAS SINCE CLAMPED DOWN ON LOCAL PRESS, WITH TWO ARTICLES APPARENTLY REMOVED BY CENSOR FROM JUNE 29 ISSUE OF LOCAL DAILY L'UNION. STEIGMAN

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